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Mr. Howard G. Kurtz  
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Dear Mr. Kurtz:

Thank you very much for your letter of 24 July which arrived while I was on vacation.

We are unable to comment on the statement contained on page 12 of your report since matters dealing with national policy do not fall within the purview of the Central Intelligence Agency. In this connection, you are right in stating that "it is not the responsibility of CIA to set policy." However, as you requested, your analysis of the reactions of the Russian people has been made available to our evaluations sections. We are glad to add it to the material on this subject now at hand.

Sincerely,

*SIGNED*

Assistant to the Director

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